The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a special meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on December 28, 20, 2009.

Mayor David W. Cline presided and called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Tim Gover, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Mayor David Cline.

Mayor Cline opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 a.m. for consideration of the proposed property tax levy for the City of Mattoon for 2009 in the City Hall Council Chambers on December 28, 2009. Attorney & Treasurer Preston Owen reviewed the public hearing reason by describing the \$6,000,000 of new construction not on the tax rolls, difference between previous year's levy and proposed one; reviewed the items on the levy; described Mattoon and Lafayette Township tax assessments, state multiplier, and uncollected TIF assessments. Questions from the Council and Public were addressed. Mr. John French and Mr. Herb Meeker questioned the increase in the levy and budgeting problems with Mayor Cline responding. Mayor Cline closed the public hearing at 7:57 a.m.

Commissioner Gover seconded by Commissioner Ervin moved to adopt Special Ordinance 2009-1371: Levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2010.

Mayor Cline called for comments. There were no comments.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Gover moved to adjourn at 7:58 a.m.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien City Clerk